

**c.) Amendments to the claims.**

Please amend claims 2-13 as follows:

Claim 1. (original) A conductive article comprising:

a substrate; and

a transparent and conductive layer comprising fine conductive fibers and formed on at least one face of the substrate,

wherein the fibers are electrically in contact with each other and dispersed so as not to form agglomerates of said fibers.

Claim 2. (currently amended) A The conductive article of claim 1, comprising:

~~a substrate; and~~

~~a transparent and conductive layer comprising fine conductive fibers and formed on at least one face of the substrate,~~

wherein the fibers are electrically in contact with each other and dispersed so that each of the fibers is separated from other fibers, or that each of bundles of the fibers is separated from other bundles.

Claim 3. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fibers are carbon fibers.

Claim 4. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein ... carbon fibers are carbon nanotubes.

Claim 5. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fibers are multi-wall carbon nanotubes, and each of the carbon nanotubes is separated from other carbon nanotubes while maintaining electrical contact between the nanotubes.

Claim 6. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fibers are single-wall carbon nanotubes that form bundles of the carbon nanotubes, and each of the bundles is separated from other bundles while maintaining electrical contact between the bundles.

Claim 7. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the fibers are double-wall or triple-wall carbon nanotubes that form bundles of the carbon

nanotubes, and each of the bundles is separated from other bundles while maintaining electrical contact between the bundles.

Claim 8. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the conductive article has a surface resistivity of from  $10^0$  to  $10^{11}$   $\Omega/\square$ .

Claim 9. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the transparent and conductive layer has a surface resistivity of from  $10^0$  to  $10^1$   $\Omega/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 50 %.

Claim 10. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the transparent and conductive layer has a surface resistivity of from  $10^2$  to  $10^3$   $\Omega/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 75 %.

Claim 11. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the transparent and conductive layer has a surface resistivity of from  $10^4$  to  $10^6$   $\Omega/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 90 %.

Claim 12. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the transparent and conductive layer has a surface resistivity of from  $10^7$  to  $10^{11}$   $\Omega/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 93 %.

Claim 13. (currently amended) The conductive article of claim 1 or 2, wherein the substrate is formed of a transparent synthetic resin.

Claim 14. (original) A conductive article comprising:

a substrate made of a thermoplastic resin; and

a transparent and conductive layer comprising carbon nanotubes and formed on at least one face of the substrate,

wherein the carbon nanotubes are electrically in contact with each other and dispersed so that each of the carbon nanotubes is separated from other carbon nanotubes, or that each of bundles of the carbon nanotubes is separated from other bundles.

Claim 15. (original) A method for manufacture of a conductive article comprising:

applying a layer of fine conductive fibers to a surface of a substrate, wherein the fibers are electrically in contact with each other and dispersed so as not to form agglomerates of said fibers.

Claim 16. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the fine conductive fibers are carbon nanotubes.

Claim 17. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the conductive article has a surface resistivity of from  $10^0$  to  $10^{11}$   $\text{Ω}/\square$ .

Claim 18. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the conductive article has a surface resistivity of from  $10^0$  to  $10^1$   $\text{Ω}/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 50 %.

Claim 19. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the conductive article has a surface resistivity of from  $10^2$  to  $10^3$   $\text{Ω}/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 75 %.

Claim 20. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the conductive article has a surface resistivity of from  $10^4$  to  $10^6$   $\text{Ω}/\square$  and a 550 nm light transmittance of at least 90 %.

Claim 21. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein the substrate is formed of a transparent synthetic resin.